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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Singh et al.

Application Number: 10/731,073

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For: TRANSGENIC AVIAN SPECIES
FOR MAKING HUMAN AND CHIMERIC
ANTIBODIES

Examiner: WILSON, Michael C.

Group Art Unit: 1632

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed April 11, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following election without traverse. This response is being filed within three (3) month of that mailing date, and an extension fee for two month in the amount of \$225 is enclosed herewith.

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1. ELECTION

Applicants elect the invention of Group II. This election is made without traverse.

The above-identified patent application has been examined for restriction purposes only. The Examiner has set forth the following groups:

Group I: Claims 1, 6, and 11, drawn to a transgenic bird having a knockout of an endogenous immunoglobulin gene.

Group II: Claims 1-11, drawn to a transgenic bird having a knockout of an encoding immunoglobulin gene and an insertion of an exogenous immunoglobulin gene.

Group III: Claims 15, 19, and 22, drawn to an antibody.

Group IV: Claims 14 and 18, drawn to a making a chimeric antibody using a transgenic bird immunized with an antigen and isolating the antibody from B-cells of the bird.

Group V: Claims 20 and 21, drawn to a transfecting cells with DNA encoding an antibody.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has restricted the claims to 5 distinct and independent inventions. Applicants elect the invention of group II which includes claims 1-11 without traverse.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are ready for examination and in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 28, 2006

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